

**PPTG**  
**Innovations Committee**  
**01.12.2005**

The \$2.7 MM in matching funds for innovations has been allocated for 2004 – 2005 due to time constraints. The innovations process being developed by this group will be used on future projects and possible a few of these projects.

**White Paper on Innovation**

At the time of the meeting, the group was unsure of the expectations of Caltrans Maintenance for this document. Therefore, the group moved on to the draft innovations process, which will be included in the white paper.

**Draft Innovations Process**

The draft innovations process that was developed at the December meeting was reviewed. Several changes were made and the new draft will be posted at [http://www.dot.ca.gov/research/maintenance/pavement\\_preservation/pavement\\_preservation.htm](http://www.dot.ca.gov/research/maintenance/pavement_preservation/pavement_preservation.htm).

As written the draft innovations process requires cooperation from the subject specific sub-task groups. This responsibility should be included in each group's charter for the process to be effective.

Caltrans is planning a test site with several maintenance strategies. The group discussed using this project as a trial run of the innovations process.

**Draft Innovations Proposal**

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Once finalized the draft innovation process and proposal should be posted online for easy access by innovators who are unfamiliar with Caltrans.

The group recognized the importance of documenting these innovative projects once they are placed and the importance of having dedicated resources to maintain a database.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 in Sacramento at the Caltrans building at the corner of 11<sup>th</sup> and R Streets.

**Action Items**

- Comments on the “Guidelines for Maintenance Treatment and Testing Section Set-up and Evaluation” should be submitted to Joe Holland at [t.joe.Holland@dot.ca.gov](mailto:t.joe.Holland@dot.ca.gov) by January 21, 2005. It is posted at

[http://www.dot.ca.gov/research/maintenance/pavement\\_preservation/pavement\\_preservation.htm](http://www.dot.ca.gov/research/maintenance/pavement_preservation/pavement_preservation.htm).

- Selection criteria – decide which document to site and find where it is located online – Caltrans Pavement Conditions Survey or Maintenance MTAG Manual
- Get form? from Scott Britton in Translab
- A list of project the \$2.7 MM in matching funds is being used on
- Determine Caltrans' expectations from the white paper on innovation